

DICTATORS RULE HAS RUN COURSE

Venezuela Throws of Yoke
of Castro.

BANKS WITHDRAW CREDIT

Gomez, by Display of Nerve and Courage, Frustrates Assassination Plot of President's Friends and With Own Hands He Arrests Ring-leaders in Presence of Armed Adherents—Offensive Decree Suspended and Negotiations Opened.

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 23.—The end of the rule in Venezuela of Cypriano Castro has come. The dictator who has governed this republic with a rod of iron ever since he took forcible possession of the yellow house in Caracas in 1899 is now openly charged with conspiracy to compass the assassination of a man he left at the head of the republic when he sailed away on Nov. 23 from La Guaira, nominally to secure skilled medical aid in Berlin for a malady of long standing, and is today thoroughly discredited.

The Bank of Venezuela has cabled its correspondents at Berlin and Paris canceling the unlimited letter of credit given to President Castro when he left Venezuela for Europe, and no one in Caracas believes he will ever dare return to the capital. The Castro cabinet has been forced to resign and a new and progressive ministry has been appointed by Juan Vicente Gomez, the acting president.

The attempt upon the life of Gomez was frustrated by the cool nerve and courageous daring of the acting president himself. Alone and unsupported he arrested the ringleaders of the conspiracy with his own hands, in the presence of their armed adherents, and after this action he issued a proclamation saying that not only had he saved his own life, but he had maintained the highest ideals of the chief magistrate of the republic.

At a conference between Acting President Gomez and Baron Von Seckendorf, the German minister, in charge of the affairs of Holland, it was agreed to suspend the operation of the decree prohibiting the transshipment at Willemstad of goods destined for Venezuela.

Pending the signing of a treaty between Holland and a duly empowered Venezuelan commissioner, the Dutch warships that have been patrolling the Venezuelan coast for nearly three weeks will be withdrawn.

GOMEZ ISSUES STATEMENT

Says He Will Enforce Constitutional Guarantees to Venezuelans.

Caracas, Dec. 23.—There is to be a general reorganization of the government. The fall of President Castro leaves no obstacle in the way of settling the various international questions confronting the republic. Jose De Jesus Paul, the former minister of foreign affairs, who played a prominent part in all Venezuela's foreign relations for the last six months, has been commissioned to go to Europe to settle all outstanding disputes with foreign powers. He will leave here tomorrow. Senor Paul has advised the diplomatic representatives here that measures to preserve order and protect the interests of foreigners will be taken.

Acting President Gomez issued a proclamation as follows: "Fellow Patriots—I assumed charge of the presidency of Venezuela under the terms of the constitution. I undertook these duties without personal ambition. From the first, I endeavored to conciliate the aspirations of the people with my high obligations, and to this end I established, in accordance with our national institutions, an administration that recognized all personal and public guarantees.

"Unfortunately, my good intentions met with incomprehensible hindrance on the part of a few persons, who called themselves intimate friends of General Castro. Not only did these persons block the carrying out by me of my legal duties, but they stooped to conspiracy and elaborated a diabolical plot against my life. This conspiracy was crushed when I personally faced the plotters and imprisoned them. By so doing I saved more than my personal existence; I maintained the manly prestige of the chief magistracy of the republic, which it is my ambition to convert into a fountain of good for all Venezuelans.

"I have constituted a cabinet representing the public opinion of Venezuela, and with the collaboration of my ministers I intend to enforce the constitutional guarantees; to respect the autonomy of the various states of the Venezuelan republic; to protect local industries against odious manipulation; to find a decorous and pacific solution of our international disputes; to live at peace and harmony at home and abroad, and to permit the law alone to hold undisputed sovereignty throughout the land."

Expected at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 23.—That this government has been expecting a revolution of feeling in Venezuela against the administration of Presi-

dent Castro, that would be manifested probably in the form of a revolution, has been no secret. For this reason the state department has not been disposed to push the Venezuelan authorities by forceful or retaliatory measures to agree to a settlement of the various claims now pending, preferring to let matters take their course, believing in the end that the situation would work itself out.

HOLLAND IS SUSTAINED

All Powers Have Agreed to Proposed Line of Action.

The Hague, Dec. 23.—A yellow book, which has just been issued on Venezuelan affairs, states that all the powers with which the Netherlands government has been in communication without exception have notified the government of their agreement with its line of action. The Dutch government has not asked for any active assistance, being convinced of its own ability to bring about a settlement of the difficulty with Venezuela, but will rely entirely upon its own forces. Nevertheless it has received the moral support of all the powers, particularly the United States, which made the declaration that the Monroe doctrine was not opposed to armed action on the part of the Netherlands, nor even to the temporary occupation of Venezuelan territory.

Castro Ignorant of Events.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—Castro apparently is unaware of his downfall or the gravity of the occurrences in Venezuela. Members of his suit inform all inquirers that he sends and receives no dispatches of any kind. The opinion is steadily gaining ground here that Castro's power is completely broken, the inference being drawn from the alleged noncommunication of events by the government or his own agents that Castro does not possess any further influence in Venezuela.

FUNERAL OF MAJOR SMITH

Burial of Well-Known Journalist Takes Place in Sleepy Hollow.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 23.—With simple ceremonies the body of Orlando Jay Smith, president of the American Press Association, whose death occurred Sunday evening, was buried in Sleepy Hollow cemetery. Funeral services were held at the home of Major Smith in Dobbs Ferry. They were attended by a delegation of officials of and employees of the American Press Association and by members of the Loyal Legion and other organizations of which Major Smith was a member. Banked around the casket in which the body lay were many beautiful floral pieces.

Attorney Found Dead.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—A. J. Flaningham, 42, an attorney, was found dead in his office. The police are investigating to ascertain whether death was due to natural causes or whether he was murdered. A watch and chain were found in his pocket which the police believe precludes the theory of murder. A wound was discovered on the side of his head, which might have been caused by his falling. Flaningham came to Chicago from Crawfordsville, Ind. The police, after an investigation, came to the conclusion that he died of apoplexy.

Indian Elopers Held.

Kansas City, Dec. 23.—Dora Fair, 16, and Lewis Rogers, 23, two Cherokee Indians who eloped from Chouteau, Okla., were arrested at the Union depot here because the girl's short skirts attracted attention. Later a telegram was received asking that the pair be held. They were on their way to Colorado.

Dog Lien Tax Unconstitutional.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The supreme court held unconstitutional the law making a dog tax a lien on property at which the dog is harbored. The decision is in the case of the Sunday Creek Coal company against the treasurer of Athens county. The Sunday Creek company owns a number of houses in which miners live in Athens county, and the miners refused to pay the taxes on their dogs. The treasurer assessed against the company as the owner of the houses.

Italian Electrocuted.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 23.—Giulio Ricci was electrocuted at the New Jersey state prison. The much-talked-of test to resuscitate the electrocuted man was not attempted. County Physician Scammel, who had threatened to make the test, was not present and made no demand for the body.

DASH THROUGH FLAMES

Schoolchildren Have Narrow Escape From Cremation.

Circleville, O., Dec. 23.—Forty-two schoolchildren had a narrow escape from cremation when fire broke out in district school No. 5. With the door in flames and all windows securely barred, the situation was critical. A fire panic followed. Luther Compton, the teacher, induced the children one by one to run through the blazing doorway, the only means of escape, and all were saved. The teacher was the last to leave the building. The doorway became ignited from an overheated register.

The Soft Answer.

He—Artists say that five feet four is the divine height for women. His Darling (crossly)—You know, I am five feet nine. He (quickly)—You are more than divine, my dear.

Laws catch flies and let hornets go free.—Anacharsis.

TRAIN SCHEDULE.

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO.

Eastbound.	
No. 26, Daily Ex. Sunday...	8:42 a. m.
No. 23, Daily.....	11:57 a. m.
No. 28, Daily Ex. Sunday...	6:30 p. m.
No. 24, Daily.....	9:26 p. m.
Westbound.	
No. 27, Daily Ex. Sunday...	6:22 a. m.
No. 21, Daily.....	8:03 a. m.
No. 25, Daily Ex. Sunday...	2:50 p. m.
No. 23, Daily.....	4:38 p. m.

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE.

Southbound.	
No. 37—Cincinnati-Knoxville local, 10:12 a. m.	
No. 33—Cincinnati-Jacksonville limited, 11:03 a. m.	
No. 9—Maysville-Stanford local with Cincinnati connection at Paris, arrives at 6:32; departs at 6:35 p. m.	
No. 31—Cincinnati-Atlanta limited 11:23 p. m.	
Northbound.	
No. 34—Atlanta-Cincinnati limited 5:06 a. m.	
No. 10—Stanford-Maysville local connecting at Paris for Cincinnati 7:13 a. m.	
No. 38—Knoxville-Cincinnati local, arrives 2:50; departs 2:53 p. m.	
No. 32—Jacksonville-Cincinnati limited, 5:45 p. m.	

All of these trains will stop at Winchester; also are all daily, except Nos. 9 and 10, which are daily, except Sunday. Trains Nos. 29 and 30 on the present time-table, will be discontinued between Paris and Rowland on the new time-table.

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Stations	No. 2; No. 4	
	Daily P.M.	Daily A.M.
v. Lexington	2:25	7:35
Winchester	3:05	8:15
L. & E. Junction... ..	3:20	8:20
Clay City	3:50	9:00
Stanton	3:58	9:10
Campton Junction... ..	4:30	9:38
Natural Bridge... ..	4:35	9:43
Torrent	4:47	9:55
Beattyville June. . .	5:10	10:17
Athol	5:37	10:44
O. & K. Junction... ..	6:05	11:15
r. Jackson	6:10	11:20

Westbound	No. 1; No. 3; No. 5	
	Daily Ex. Sun.	Daily Only
v. Jackson	6:10	2:20 7:00
O. & K. June. . .	6:15	2:25 7:05
Athol	6:40	2:52 7:30
Beattyville June	7:07	3:20 7:54
Torrent	7:30	3:41 8:15
Natural Bridge... ..	7:45	3:55 8:26
Campton June. . .	7:48	3:57 8:28
Stanton	8:15	4:26 8:54
Clay City	8:25	4:35 9:02
L. & E. June. . .	9:00	5:07 9:34
Winchester	9:12	5:20 9:46
Ar. Lexington	9:55	6:05 10:25

THE FOLLOWING CONNECTIONS ARE MADE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

L. & E. Junction—Trains Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, will make connection with the C. & O. Ry. for Mt. Sterling.
Campton Junction—Trains Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, will connect with the Mountain Central Ry. for passengers to and from Campton, Ky.
Beattyville Junction—Trains Nos. 2 and 4 will connect with the L. & A. Railway for Beattyville, Ky.
O. & K. Junction—Trains Nos. 3 and 4 will connect with the O. & K. Railway for Cannel City, Ky., and way stations.

W. A. McDOWELL, Gen'l Mgr.
CHAS. SCOTT, G. P. A. 17tf.

Ornaments of the Peerage.

Lord Lyveden is an ardent peerage reformer and tells an anecdote in this connection for whose authenticity he pledges himself. This narrates how a famous statesman of the nineteenth century was called upon to visit his son in prison. He bitterly reproached him, remarking, "Here am I, having worked my way up from a middle class home to a great position, and when I die you will be the greatest blackguard in the peerage." The son listened quietly and then replied, with terrible irony, "Yes—when you die."

Another of Lord Lyveden's peerage stories is equally piquant. The son of a peer applied to a friend in the north of England for a housekeeper and was recommended a certain Mrs. Brown. The peer wrote to the woman accordingly to the effect that, having learned particulars of her character, he was willing to engage her as his housekeeper and making an appointment for her to call and see him on a certain date. The good woman replied:

My Lord—From what I have learned of your character I decline to enter your house. I am your lordship's obedient servant,
ANNE BROWN.
—Westminster Gazette.

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